

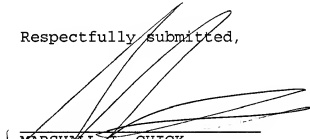
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The amendment above avoids formal issues concerning the dependency of Claim 23.

Entry is therefore requested.

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